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Owner Ken Zaifman has 60 days to bring the St. Charles Hotel up to code or the city will take it over. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Owner fights to keep his historic hotel

St. Charles. City may take it over because it doesn't comply with fire-safety bylaw

The owner of the downtown St. Charles Hotel has vowed to continue fighting to keep his property after a city committee voted unanimously to take over ownership of the beleaguered hotel.

"I haven't given up; it's not in my nature to give up," said Ken Zaifman, moments after his appeal was rejected.

"Their frustration is equal to my frustration; we're both equally frustrated."

Zaifman asked the city's downtown development committee for three more months to present plans and become compliant with their requests, which includes installing a fire-suppression system.



Ken Zaifman METRO

Currently, the building, which turns 100 this year, is in non-compliance with the city's vacant-buildings bylaw. Zaifman argued that his building has fire monitoring, but a fire-suppression system would cost him between \$130,000 and \$150,000. The system would then have to be pulled out if the interior is redeveloped.

"There's very little in the

building that's combustible. There's no walls, there's no drywall, none of that. That's all been removed," he said, adding he hopes the city does not take his property, located at 235 Notre Dame Ave.

"We have some time and we're going to submit plans to ensure that doesn't happen."

Zaifman still has 60 days to become compliant with the city inspectors' demands.

Coun. Jenny Gerbas (Fort Rouge-East Fort Garry) said the process had gone on "too long."

Zaifman was told last February he had to bring the building's fire-protection system up to code, among other problems, or risk losing the property. It was the latest in an ongoing list of demands from the city, and the state of the hotel has been brought before city committees for years.

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Student Competition Prepares to Crown Global Marketing Champion

Students from some of the world's top business schools are gathering in Winnipeg from January 9 to 12 to compete in the 31st annual Manitoba International Marketing Competition, presented by CG Power Systems Inc.

Organized by students from the Asper School of Business at the University of Manitoba, the competition is the largest of its kind in Canada, and pits undergraduate student teams against one another for cash prizes and the title of global champion.

"It's an incredible opportunity for students to test their marketing strategy chops using various business elements that make today's companies successful," says Sinan Leylek, one of the event's co-chairs and an Asper Marketing student.

Finalists in the competition will present marketing strategies before a panel of judges from the academic and corporate

communities. The winning team takes home \$4000, and \$2000 goes to the runner-up.

In addition to planning the competition, MIMC partnered with the University of Manitoba Marketing Association to host a conference on cross-cultural marketing. From January 11 to 12, speaker sessions, interactive seminars, social events and a mini-challenge will give students from around the globe and here at home the opportunity to network with one another.

The conference aims to inspire competition delegates, marketing leaders and students from the Asper School with ideas that will shape the future of marketing products and services to the world.

"These days, brands are being introduced to new markets around the world faster than ever," Leylek says. "Marketers now have to understand how to sell products

to different cultures. It's an exciting time for an event like this. MIMC will expose tomorrow's global business leaders to the international contacts and perspectives they'll need to reach local markets, whether they're here in Canada or on the other side of the globe."

Leylek says the event's expansion to include the conference has been a success thanks to the tremendous support of the local business community. "We depend on and appreciate everything our partners and sponsors have done to help us engage more students and showcase just how great a city Winnipeg is to do business in."

Bill Shaddy, who served as Senior Director of Personnel Operations for Pepsi Co. Foods & Beverages International and helped lead the company into international markets, will deliver the keynote address.

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IMAX. Winnipeg to lose downtown theatre

Winnipeg's original IMAX theatre will close its curtains for the last time later this year.

The Forks North Portage Partnership, which has independently run the theatre at Portage Place since it opened in 1987, said the theatre has been losing money for several years.

"It really wasn't an easy decision to make, and not something that we've come to lightly or easily," said Clare MacKay, vice-president of marketing for the partnership, explaining it's become impossible to keep up with other theatres in the city — especially now that so many others offer 3D films. "Because we're really just one screen, we have not been able to secure day and date releases of Hollywood product."

"In the case of (some films) we haven't been able to get it until almost three-months after it's been seen elsewhere."

The theatre has also been hurt by declining school group revenues and competition in the form of a second IMAX theatre opened at Silver City Polo Park, which, because it's part of a larger buying group, is able to screen new movies at the same time as other theatres.

"The theatre world has changed substantially over the last few years," explained MacKay. "It's just not something we can keep pace with."

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Clare MacKay METRO

Lawyer blasts Sinclair social worker

An inquiry has heard that Manitoba child welfare closed the file on a young girl without realizing she was being cared for by a man with a long history of brutal domestic violence.

The testimony Tuesday was the second time that the inquiry was told that Karl Wesley McKay slipped under the radar of social workers months before he helped neglect, abuse and finally kill five-year-old Phoenix Sinclair in June 2005.

"In hindsight, knowing

the information that I do now that's available regarding Mr. McKay, yes, it was an error that the file was closed," social worker Shelley Willox testified under cross-examination.

"But based on the information that I had, and the concerns or lack thereof that were being reported to me at the time, do I agree ... that it was catastrophic that the file was closed at the time? No."

The inquiry is examining how Phoenix slipped through

Red flags

In 2004, Phoenix's mother's fourth childbirth prompted concerns based on the unfortunate circumstances of her previous children. Willox was assigned to the file.

the cracks of a troubled child-welfare system. It has already heard that the girl spent most of her life bouncing between

her divorced parents, family friends and foster care.

Willox admitted she could have combed through the province's central database for a Wes McKay, but said there were a few people listed with that name or variations thereof. That prompted a rebuke from Sherri Walsh, the lawyer leading the inquiry, who said there were only two Wes McKays in the database who were roughly the same age as Phoenix's mother. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

City to move Windsor Park Library to new \$4M facility

Change of plans.

St. Vital library to get upgrade instead of amalgamation



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The city is reneging on a plan to combine two aging southeast Winnipeg libraries, opting to instead dig into 2013's capital budget to relocate one and refurbish the other.

At two separate press conferences Tuesday, the city said Windsor Park Library will relocate to a brand new \$4-million facility at the Bonivital Pool, and St. Vital Library will undergo around \$1.8-million in renovations instead of a previous plan to spend \$5.8-million combining the two buildings.

Coun. Dan Vandal (St. Boniface) told Metro finding a suitable location for the proposed melded library proved too difficult.

"That never panned out," he said. "We couldn't find a new location that everyone agreed upon."

The new facility at Bonivital Pool will add 8,000



Couns. Dan Vandal and Scott Fielding in front of the Bonivital Pool, soon to be Windsor Park Library's new home.

SHANE GIBSON/METRO

square-feet to the existing building and include a multi-purpose programming room, tutorial rooms and space for a collection of about 35,000 library items. There will also be more computer access and more public study and leisure space, according to a city release.

Construction of the new library is expected to start this year and be ready for readers in 2014.

At the St. Vital Library, Coun. Brian Mayes (St. Vital)

Upgrades

"We're going to breathe some life back into this building."

Coun. Brian Mayes on St. Vital Library's forthcoming upgrades.

said other than fixing up the 50-year-old building's exterior brickwork, the renovations won't be too noticeable, with plumbing, a new roof and ductwork among the projects

planned.

"We're going to breathe some life back into this building," he said.

The two good-news announcements came a day before the city is expected to raise property taxes in its budget presentation, but Coun. Russ Wyatt, chair of the city's finance committee, said the library announcements weren't timed to soften the bad news for Winnipeggers' pocketbooks expected Wednesday.

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St. Boniface Cathedral named historic site

Landmark. Rare Grade 1 status given to church, grounds



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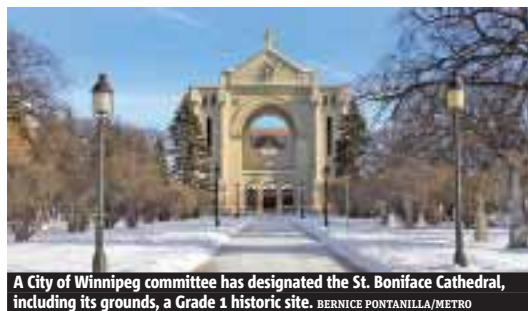
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A Winnipeg landmark has received the highest level of historic designation and, to make it more notable, the grounds are included.

Members of the City of Winnipeg's downtown development committee voted on Tuesday to place St. Boniface Cathedral on the building conservation list as a Grade 1 structure. This means the only work that can be done on the site must be to restore and preserve it.

Coun. Jenny Gerbasi (Fort Rouge-East Fort Garry) expressed surprise that the iconic Catholic church did not already have such a designation, but Cindy Tugwell, executive director of Heritage Winnipeg, said this must be initiated by owners.

"It was a surprise, but there's a lot of amazing land-



A City of Winnipeg committee has designated the St. Boniface Cathedral, including its grounds, a Grade 1 historic site. BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO

mark heritage buildings that are not designated," said Tugwell, adding the Grade 1 designation is very rare.

"Very few buildings (have a Grade 1), probably maybe a couple dozen in the entire city, so you're looking at a landmark building."

Tugwell said her organization was especially happy to see the cathedral's grounds included, calling this designation "ground-breaking."

Philippe Mailhot, director of the St. Boniface Museum, said this designation allows the church to apply for crucial funding from government to maintain what has

become an important tourist attraction.

"Yes, it's a church," he added, "but by the same token it's one of the most visited public spaces in the province."

The Grade 1 designation means the building will be eligible for grants under the province of Manitoba's Designated Heritage Building Grant program and would require city council approval for demolition.

The cathedral is undergoing \$6 million of rehabilitation and upgrades, including restoration of the 1908 ruins.



Second season (almost) here

Jets staff lay down the Winnipeg Jets logo at centre ice of the MTS Centre on Tuesday. The shortened NHL season is expected to start on Jan. 19. More Jets coverage on page 15. JOHN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Internet privacy. Federal watchdog out to rein in Tory big-brother bill

An intense public outcry over the Conservative government's blockbuster bid to bolster Internet surveillance powers may be paying off.

The federal privacy watchdog has jumped into the fray to try to help the Tories find a compromise.

It proposes new procedures that will, yes, give police and spies key information about Internet users.

But it's striving to retain the principle of judicial oversight, a memo obtained under the Access to Information Act shows.

The internal memo reveals assistant privacy commis-

sioner Chantal Bernier asked University of Montreal law professor Karim Benyekhlef to "help find a middle ground between security and privacy."

Protesters say allowing authorities access to Internet subscriber information without a court-approved warrant would be a dangerous infringement of privacy.

The government has indicated the bill would go directly to a House of Commons committee, skipping the usual second reading, to allow for amendments. But it has not yet resurfaced.

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Hands off our computer keyboards, protesters say — but the feds have other ideas. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Yes, they're Indians, Canadian court rules

13-year fight. Court says 600,000 Metis and non-status Indians fall under federal jurisdiction

The federal government's responsibilities for aboriginal peoples just got a lot bigger.

After more than 13 years of legal wrangling, the Federal Court ruled Tuesday that Metis and non-status Indians are indeed "Indians" under the Constitution Act and fall under federal jurisdiction.

The decision helps to clarify the relationship between Ottawa and more than 600,000 aboriginal people who are not affiliated with specific reserves.

"This is huge," said Betty Ann Lavallee, national chief of the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples.

"It ends the denial of aboriginal birthrights that has existed for far too long."

Federal Court Judge Michael Phelan wrote that "the recognition of Metis and non-status Indian as Indians ...



National chief Betty Ann Lavallee, pictured after the ruling, said: "Today is a very emotional day for me and a very hopeful day for all off-reserve Aboriginal Peoples." ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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"This is going to require a lot of bureaucratic re-thinking and policy development."

Robert Janes, a Victoria lawyer who focuses on aboriginal issues

should accord a further level of respect and reconciliation."

While the decision does not declare the federal gov-

ernment has a fiduciary responsibility to the group, it says such duties would flow automatically.

The Congress of Aboriginal Peoples and several Metis and non-status Indians argued they are entitled to some or all of the same rights and benefits as on-reserve First Nations members.

They say that includes access to the same health, education and other benefits Ottawa gives status Indians.

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Anger. First Nations say: We won't 'roll over'

Two First Nations from Alberta are taking the federal government to court.

They claim they weren't consulted about Conservative omnibus budget legislation that makes significant changes to environmental protection and assessment.

The Mikisew Cree First Nation and the Frog Lake First Nation launched their legal challenge Tuesday in Ottawa.

"The rest of Canada should be with us in support and send a message to Stephen Harper and his government that what they're doing is wrong," said Chief Steve Courtoreille of the Mikisew Cree First Nation.

"They can't ram bills down our throats and expect us to roll over and accept it, because this is going to affect our future, affect the future of all of Canada."

The two First Nations want a judicial review of parts of Bill C-38 and Bill C-45, focusing on changes to the Fisheries Act and the Navigable Waters Protection Act.

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3D printing threatens U.S. gun reforms

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After the tragedies of Sandy Hook and Aurora, the U.S. government is prepar-

ing to introduce stricter guidelines on gun ownership. But supporters of the Second Amendment could get around them by printing their own firearms at home.

The technology is still developing, but 2012 saw the first shots fired from guns with printed parts. "Gun hacking" has a growing community in online forums and has become serious business.

"I have five people now making AK-47 magazines —

they're incredibly easy to reproduce," Cody Wilson, CEO of the Defense Distributed company in Texas, told Metro. A firm believer in the right to bear arms, Wilson is deliberately producing parts for assault weapons likely to be banned by new controls.

"(U.S. Vice-President) Joe Biden's group are using the assumption that if you control the channel, you control the product — but that is not the case anymore,"

says Wilson.

His company has made open-source code for over 30 gun parts available online and claims they receive thousands of downloads a day.

The printed guns are not a finished product but the U.S. military has begun to outfit its mobile labs with 3D printers to replace parts.

Kevin Coleman, military technology analyst, told Metro he believes "further down

the line you could produce a weapon that way."

So how could the weapons be controlled? Government can't intervene effectively, says Michael Weinberg, an attorney specializing in emerging technologies. "When you apply anger over gun control to a general-purpose technology, there's a lot of collateral damage," he said. "We don't know enough about 3D printing to legislate the future."



Ready for action: An assault rifle made with printed parts. CONTRIBUTED

Counterweight. Giffords to fight powerful gun lobby

The former U.S. congresswoman who was shot in the head two years ago launched on Tuesday a national effort against gun violence, saying she and her husband will work to counter the country's strong gun lobby, the NRA.

Gabrielle Giffords' effort comes as the Obama administration faces a self-imposed deadline at the end of this month to propose ways to curb the mass shootings and other violence that continue to grip the country. The administration this week is calling gun-

owner groups, victims' organizations and representatives from the video-game industry to the White House for discussions.

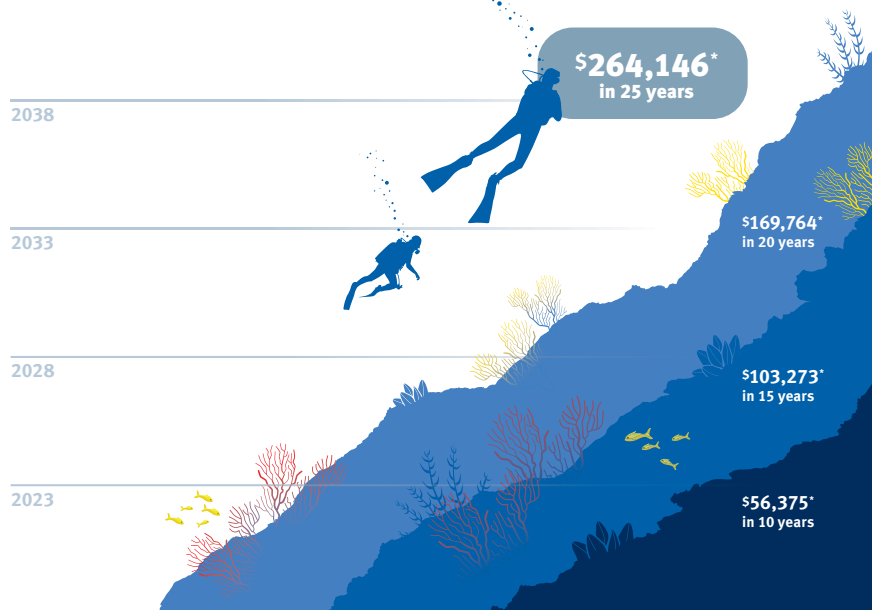
Giffords, who has owned a Glock pistol, and her husband, former astronaut Mark Kelly, are becoming prominent voices for gun-control efforts. They wrote in an opinion piece published in USA Today that their Americans for Responsible Solutions, a political action committee, would help raise money to support greater gun-control efforts.

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Real estate market 'still relatively solid'

Mortgage lending.

Country's top bankers tell conference that pullback is limited to certain markets


Canada's real estate market remains "relatively solid" and should experience a "soft landing" despite the current slowdown and fears of overbuilding in the condominium segment, the country's leading bankers said Tuesday.



Speaking to a RBC banking conference in Toronto, the country's top bankers said they don't expect a dramatic downturn like the one in the United States about five years ago.


The bursting of the U.S. housing bubble is considered a major cause of the credit crunch that swept Wall Street and then the global economy in the fall of 2008, after interest rates on sub-prime mortgages rose and defaults soared.

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"In fact, house prices may just stagnate. Condominium prices may just stagnate for a couple of years. And that's the definition of a soft landing."

Bank of Montreal CEO Bill Downe,
at a banking conference in Toronto.

notably Vancouver.

"We have seen a slowdown in sales and we've certainly seen a slowdown in mortgage demand but price levels are relatively stable," he said, adding that other than debt to disposable income, most indicators are in line with historic standards.

"So our expectation is we've got this sort of soft landing scenario on the real estate side."

The head of Canada's largest bank said he expects RBC's consumer lending growth will slow to mid single digits but it should see a nearly double-digit increase in commercial loans. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

for the most part — except for a few months during the 2008-09 recession and in some economically disadvantaged areas.

"Our expectation is that the overall real estate market in Canada is still relatively solid," Royal Bank CEO Gord Nixon said Tuesday.

Despite reports that suggest Canadian housing is in crisis, he said the pullback is limited to a couple of markets.

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That's entertainment?

All not right as Rain in S. Korean army

South Korea's defence ministry has decided to confine pop star Rain to his base for a week for meeting with an actress while on duty.

The penalty is the lightest a South Korean soldier can face. Paparazzi photos recently showed Rain with actress Kim Tae-hee when he wasn't allowed to have private meetings while

outside his base for official duties such as recording and performing.

Rain is fulfilling his two-year mandatory military service as an "entertainment soldier." His meetings with Kim raised suspicions that the military was coddling popular entertainers with special favours because they help enhance its image. Officials deny it.

Time magazine named him one of the world's 100 most influential people in 2011. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Catch a tiger by the flail



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Prize capture

Tigress in water photo wins big

An Indochinese tigress named Busaba shakes herself dry after a swim at Khao Kheow Open Zoo in Chonburi, Thailand. The Explosion! by Ashley Vincent, 49, a British wildlife photographer based in Thailand, shook off the competition of more than 22,000 entries to win the 2012 National Geographic Photography Contest. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

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Q&A with photographer Ashley Vincent

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How did this photo come about?

My family and I were showing my mother-in-law around the zoo. She wanted to see

some tigers, so we made our way over to Busaba, who at the time was being fed slivers of fresh meat. I'd never taken much interest before in watching this —

it's more for the benefit of visitors to Thailand — until one piece Busaba had caught hold of slipped and fell into the pool. She dove in to retrieve it and, as she reemerged, shook herself dry with an explosion of water droplets, and in an instant I had a cartoon light bulb appear above my head!

For you, what message is revealed in this image?

This is just one moment when this animal is so engaged in natural behaviour that any melancholy thoughts we may have, like animals in captivity, are expelled from our minds. It's freedom from thought.

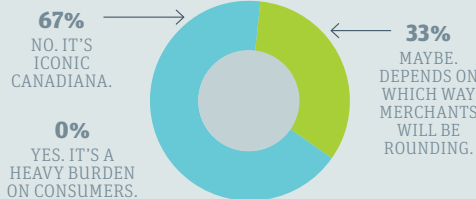
Any advice for budding photographers?

For all the money I've spent travelling around in Asia and Africa to picture wild animals, ironically this winning image I captured was taken about 30 minutes away from my house. I believe a tiger, for example, in captivity can be every bit as amazing and gorgeous as a tiger in the wild. So as wonderful as "wild" animal photography can be, until such a dream opportunity comes along, don't feel in any way disadvantaged because the only alternative you may have is to photograph captive animals. **METRO WORLD NEWS**



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Twitter

@chantelnygaard: If it doesn't smell like armpit it's not winnipeg transit

@AllieTess: I cannot wait till I can kick box. Punch and kick all this away. #heavyheart

@WpgWestEndGal: Exciting! Shakespeare in the Ruins is coming to West End's Central Park this summer! Stay tuned for details, but plan for August theatre!

@alysonshane: OH: I didn't even know Batman Begins was a part of a trilogy until the trilogy came out at my work #what

@accordingtomio: The government will finally recognize me as an Indian. Something I knew all of my life.

@wpglovehate: Wow-lots of tweets about the the ice being painted at MTS Centre. I'm kinda sorta gonna to lose it if the evening news covers this. #nhljets

In Focus

Hoping for more award success



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Zero Dark Thirty is billed as "the story of history's greatest manhunt for the world's most dangerous man." It's a carefully plotted espionage tale that flows from the clues that lead to the death of Osama bin Laden at the hands of the Navy SEAL Team 6 in May, 2011 and it will very likely earn its director, Kathryn Bigelow, an Academy Award nomination.

It won't be the first time the Academy has honoured her. In fact, she's one for the record books. Her last film, *The Hurt Locker*, was a huge critical hit and made her the first woman to win best director awards from the Academy Awards, the Directors Guild of America, the BAFTAs and the Critics' Choice Awards.

It was her first serious awards recognition. At age 61 she is a veteran with nine features, hours of television and music videos for bands.

A trilogy of action films — *Blue Steel*, *Point Break* and *Strange Days* — saw her blend technical sophistication with themes that redefined the genre of the movies.

"When you have this great social tool, at the very least, take advantage of it as a means to communicate."

Movie violence in a gun sensitive period

Industry issues.

The Gangster Squad and The Last Stand filmmakers respond to shootings

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The recent high-profile U.S. shootings — most notably in a movie theatre in Colorado in July and an elementary school in Connecticut just before Christmas — have brought attention back to gun violence in popular culture. It's an issue the people behind two of this month's more bullet-ridden releases have had to grapple with while promoting their films.

"It's obviously something that's affected all of us. I don't think anybody has spent the last few weeks not thinking a lot about that, but this is fantasy and that's reality," says Lorenzo di Bonaventura, producer of the Arnold Schwarzenegger shoot-em-up *The Last Stand*, out later this month. "I think we need to figure out reality, and fantasy always follows reality. I'm not a politician, so I'll stay off my point of view, but it's clearly something that all of us have a great deal of respect for what those people have suffered, and we don't look at this as part of that. They're two different things."

One film that's been even more closely linked to recent



Sean Penn stars in *The Gangster Squad*, which opens this weekend in the shadow of recent gun violence in the U.S. HANDOUT

tragedy is *Gangster Squad*, about police going to war with a ruthless criminal in 1940s L.A. Originally, the film featured a scene depicting mobsters opening fire on a movie theatre full of patrons, but Warner Bros. quickly decided to cut the scene and postpone the film's release following the movie theatre shooting in Aurora, Colo.

"The Aurora shooting was an unspeakable tragedy, and out of respect for the families of the victims, we felt it necessary to reshoot that sequence, and I'm proud of the fact that I did that," director Ruben Fleischer says. "I think that we should all respect the tragedy and not draw associa-

tions to our film as a result of ... I mean to these types of tragedies."

While producers and directors might be careful with their statements, their stars are much more willing to spout off on the topic. *Gangster Squad* star Josh Brolin thinks connecting violence onscreen to violence in real life is a misguided oversimplification.

"You have to look at the grand scheme of things, from a universal standpoint," Brolin, who fires his fair share of rounds in *Gangster Squad*, says. "You have video games, you have psycho-pharmaceuticals, you have lowest employment, you have parents that

Quote

"If there is a problem there, let's analyze it. Let's not jump to conclusions, let's analyze"

Arnold Schwarzenegger
Talking about America looking at new gun laws to prevent recent attacks.

aren't at home. You have CNN who gloms on to the worst of what's going on and not necessarily the best or the most heroic. So, there's many different factors. There's always been violence in movies and there always will be violence in movies. Whether it leads to the one psychotic that's out there that's thinking the worst thoughts you can possibly think is always going to be a mystery, I think."

Schwarzenegger agrees that scapegoating entertainment is a mistake.

"It's two different issues. This is entertainment, and the other thing is a tragedy beyond belief and it's serious and the real deal," he says, referring to the shooting in Newtown, Conn.

The former governor of California, who's no stranger to hot-button issues, already sees plenty of areas that need investigating.

"How can we do better with gun laws? If there is any loophole, if there is a problem there, let's analyze it. Let's not jump to conclusions, let's analyze," he says.

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The Word

Bieber hashtag encourages fans to cut themselvesKIERON MONKS
Metro World News

Late Monday evening, Justin Bieber was trending on Twitter. Hardly new for the tween icon, but this was a darker episode, with the hashtag #cuttingforBieber used by young fans to offer blood sacrifices to their hero.

"Beliebers" participated in a campaign of self-harm in response to a weekend picture that appeared to show Bieber smoking marijuana. Hundreds of images of slashed arms, some obviously fake, some disturbingly real, flooded the social network. "Why did you do this @justinbieber You broke my heart," one user posted above a graphic



image of the user's injuries.

The campaign was orchestrated by the 4Chan forum, popular with trolls, and plans can be seen on the website. "Let's see if we can get some little girls to cut themselves," a member wrote, and fake pictures were seeded to encourage the trend.

The horrific episode was picked up by celebrities, including singer and friend of Bieber, Miley Cyrus. "Cutting

is NOT something to joke about.

There are people who are actually suffering from self-harm, this is so disrespectful," the star tweeted.

Bieber fans are known for their zeal and the "Bieber fever" phenomenon has been studied by psychologists. Two fans were arrested in December for plotting to castrate and murder the Canadian singer.

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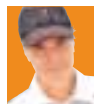
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The new links of Barbados are a hole-in-one for golfers

Swinging in the sun. From sugar cane meadows to Atlantic coastline, these courses put the island's terrain to good use



BRIAN KENDALL
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Once reliant on a traditional sun, sand and sea tourism strategy, Barbados signalled its arrival as a major player in Caribbean golf with the 2009 launch of Apes Hill Club.

The gorgeous 7,150-yard layout, which dips and twists through lush jungle, an abandoned coral quarry and the reclaimed fields of a former sugar plantation, is the centrepiece of an exclusive new residential community offering views of both the Atlantic Ocean and the Caribbean Sea from a hilltop site near the lively community of Holetown.

Apes Hill joins posh Sandy Lane resort's two acclaimed 18-hole courses, as well as Royal Westmoreland Golf and Country Club, as the golf headliners of a popular island destination of remarkable contrasts — from the windswept Atlantic coastline to vast meadows of sugar cane to the serene waters of the Caribbean coast, the site of most of the resorts. The former British colony is renowned for its white-sand beaches, hospitable people (known as Bajans) and its refined atmosphere.

Barbados ignited its golf boom with the 1994 launch of Royal Westmoreland, a superb Robert Trent Jones Jr. design near the capital of Bridgetown. Officially opened by Prince Andrew — who wowed onlookers by splitting the fairway with his first drive — the 7,045 parkland-style layout offers breathtaking views of the Caribbean Sea with almost every shot.

Royal Westmoreland reigned supreme until 2004, when the celebrity-packed but ill-fated wedding of Tiger Woods at nearby Sandy Lane resort focused international attention on the ultra-exclusive property's new \$25-million Green Monkey course. Designed by Tom Fazio, the 7,389-yard behemoth slow-



The Green Monkey course at Sandy Lane resort is one of the world's must-plays. SANDY LANE HOTEL CO. LTD FOR SANDY LANE

ly builds drama through the first eight holes before startling golfers with a rapid descent into an abandoned quarry.

So spectacular is the design and seaside setting that the Green Monkey instantly became one of the world's must-play courses. The only hitch is that access is restricted to guests of Sandy Lane, one of the Caribbean's priciest resorts. Sandy Lane does, however, offer public play on its other Fazio championship layout, the Country Club course, a lush parkland-style jewel, and on its nine-hole Old Nine course.

Apes Hill, the newest headliner, boasts a pedigree to rival even that of the Green Monkey. The project is a partnership between local entrepreneur Sir Charles Williams, whose family came from England to Barbados in the 1600s, and Landmark Land Company, the developer of such renowned golf properties as California's La Quinta Resort and Club and South Carolina's Kiawah Island Golf Resort. Wentworth Club, the famous English golf and country club, signed on to run the golf operation.

The golf course has cre-



Apes Hill is the newest addition to Barbados's golf offerings. APES HILL CLUB

ated a buzz throughout the Caribbean. Designed by Jeff Potts and Chris Cole for Landmark, Apes Hill winds seamlessly through a rolling and still mostly wild landscape where green monkeys are often seen feasting on Barbados cherries, ackee

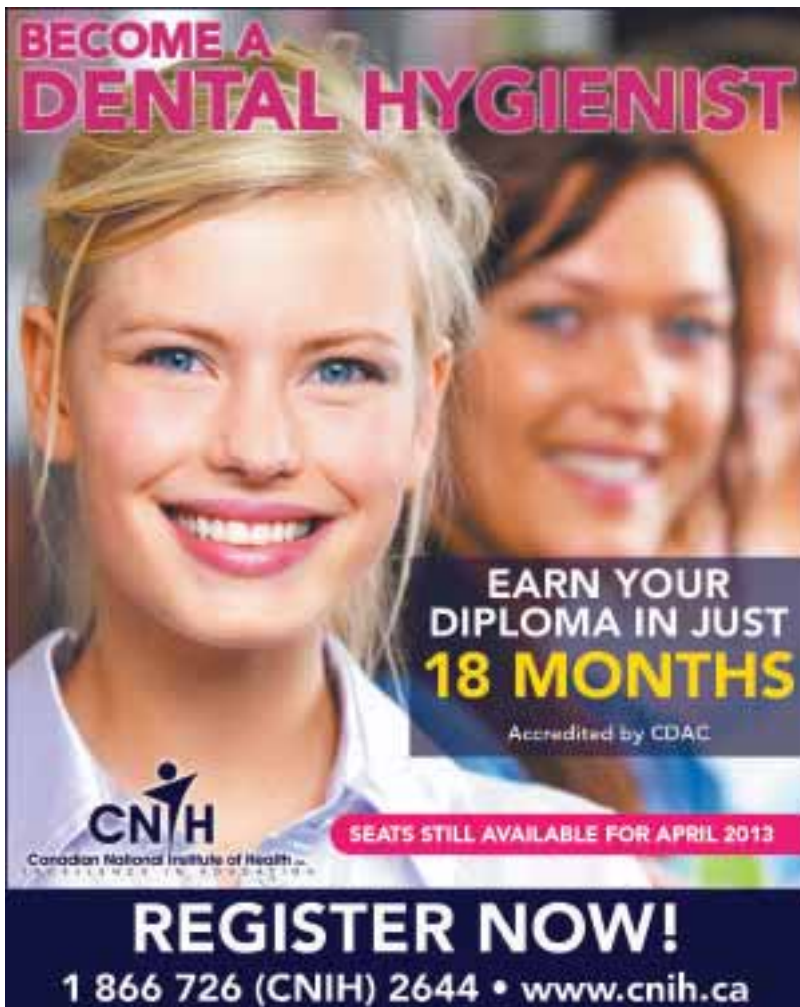
and breadfruit. Especially thrilling are the jungle holes, 11 to 14, a quartet enthusiastically described by Golf World magazine as "every bit as dramatic and invigorating" as Augusta National's Amen Corner.

Rounding out the island's

roster of courses is Barbados Golf Club, an affordable and challenging 6,697-yard government-owned layout, and the player-friendly, nine-hole Rockley Golf Club. Barbados, after years of building golf courses, is ready to play.

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2. In saucepan over medium-high heat, melt the butter. Remove the pan from the heat and stir in the chocolate bits until completely melted and smooth. Stir in the coffee.

3. In bowl, use electric mixer to beat eggs, brown sugar, cocoa

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups (3 sticks) unsalted butter
- 12 oz bittersweet chocolate bits
- 3/4 cup strong brewed coffee
- 6 eggs
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder, sifted
- Pinch of salt
- 2 tbsp brandy or rum
- Whipped cream, to serve
- Fresh berries or shaved chocolate, to serve



This recipe serves 16. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

powder, salt and brandy for 3 minutes, or until slightly thickened. Beat in the chocolate-butter mixture. The batter should resemble a thick pudding. Pour the batter into the cake pan, jiggling the pan to settle the batter so that it's level.

4. Place the larger pan with the cake pan in it into the oven. Pour hot water into the larger pan, being careful not to get any water on the cake batter.

5. Add enough water to bring it halfway up the sides of the

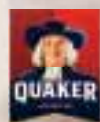
cake pan. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes, or until the cake is slightly puffed and set in the middle.

6. Carefully remove pan from the oven. Remove cake pan from water bath and allow to cool fully in the pan. Place a serving plate over the cake pan and invert so that the pan is on top of the serving plate. Gently lift the cake pan off, then peel away the parchment paper.

7. Serve topped with whipped cream and berries or chocolate shavings. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Snow on the ground, summer on the brain

Internship impending.

It's hard to believe, but now is the time to start thinking about nabbing that position

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From debating the merits of unpaid versus paid internships and dissecting the benefits to your career, internships are an even hotter topic than Channing Tatum's stripper movie.

This article aims to break it all down into the simplest terms possible and speak directly to where to look for internships and how to lock one down.

Where are all the internships and co-ops hiding?

The key is to start looking early. Did you know most large employers post their summer internships and co-op roles in January? If you wait much longer it will be too late.

Find summer internships and co-ops online

Check out the summer, internship and co-op job listings here on TalentEgg.ca — there are a ton of roles available (many with deadlines this week and next) and we post new jobs every day!

Visit your career centre

I was a heavy user of the career centre in university and this definitely worked to my advantage.

For one thing, utilizing their resources to find a part-time job actually ended up landing me a student job at the centre because they knew who I was and wanted to help me out. Career centres not only have job listings, they often have connections with other employers (and, at the very least, are an amazing source of information for any questions you might have regarding schooling and your career).

Network with your network

Let people know you are looking for an internship (professors often have a lot of insight

Summer job fairs

Most colleges and universities hold summer job fairs in late January

- These job fairs give you the chance to meet prospective employers and, occasionally, interview right on the spot.
- Furthermore, you will be subjected to tons of companies and positions that you didn't even know existed. Make sure you are well dressed, well-spoken and prepared to answer — and ask — some questions!

and tips for success in this realm — and if you put in the effort, they're most likely going to be very eager to help you). Similar to my career centre tale of success, it's all about getting your face out there and seeking assistance from others.

Another great thing about internships is they can often



Websites and career centres are great resources when looking for a summer internship. ISTOCK

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@TalentEgg: #QuestionoftheDay: What are some effective ways you market yourself to employers? How do you stand out?

- @kmaniac: Do unexpected things, like show up unannounced asking for their guidance. Worked for me so far!
- @Farrah_Chanda: Being aware of what's happening so I'm present in discussions, can answer questions, solve probs, fill in gaps, coordinate etc.
- @GregRyderVAN: Attend events and really study your desired industry, so you can talk about it and know all the ins/outs.



lead to jobs. Guy Adam, Branch Manager at Robert Half in Laval, Que., offered the following advice for how to turn your internship into something permanent:

Don't be shy

As Guy puts it, "Competition can be fierce in this economy. Showing some confidence, while still acting professionally, can work in your favour." Therefore, don't be conniving, but go after what you want.

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Follow through on your resolutions, like spending more time with family and friends, by examining why you want to accomplish these goals.

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Change is good for you

Goals. How to follow through on your resolutions this year

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For Metro

The start of a new year really is a good time to make a change, but it's important to be realistic and to set yourself up for success, says Gene Hayden, a motivational speaker and author of *The Follow-Through Factor* (2010).

"If you can separate reasonable resolutions from magical quests, you're off to a good start," concurs Dr. Irvin Wolkoff, a Toronto psychologist.

The most common new year's resolutions are to lose weight, get fit, get better or-

Any day is a good day

- Remember that the way to improve yourself is the same on Jan. 1 as on any other day in the calendar, says Dr. Irvin Wolkoff, a Toronto psychologist. "There's ac-

tually no point in imposing extra pressure that comes with making a resolution." Whatever day it is, decide to make an improvement and get started.

ganized and have more time for friends and family.

"But these are huge and we don't often examine the how," Hayden says.

Remember, the reason people follow through is they literally love the resolution.

"You've got to want it," Hayden says. "If you really want it, you're going to go after it and the process of getting from here to there is going to keep you engaged."

Here is a checklist for success:

- When you make a resolu-

tion, ask yourself — is this really within my control to make happen?

- Make sure it's a "want" and not a "should."
- Break the resolution down into baby steps.
- Talk about your resolution in the present tense, not future. For example, I am doing my resumé; I am going out more so I can meet somebody; I am going to fitness classes three times a week.
- Don't look up, Hayden says. A resolution is a bit of

a Mount Everest and looking up can make it more of a monumental task.

- "Talk about your accomplishments and you will find people will cheer you on. You will inspire others and inspire yourself at the same time."

RESOLUTION MAKER ... OR BREAKER?

Eighty-eight per cent of resolution makers give up within the first three months, according to Hayden. The No. 1 reason is they are no longer passionate about them, she says.

"We set the bar way too high so we set ourselves up for failure. And we base resolutions on things we should do and not on what we want to do. In the end, we don't have the fire — or motivation — in our bellies ... so we don't have the follow-through."

12 tips to achieve your goals

It's a new year ... and a new you! Here is expert advice on staying on track with your health and fitness resolutions.

1 Rather than obsess about one health-related goal (lose 20 pounds, for example), Ontario Medical Association president Dr. Doug Weir recommends starting to make healthier lifestyle choices (get more active, make healthier food choices, cut down on salt) across the board. It will all add up to better health.

2 Select achievable goals and set reasonable times to achieve them, says Dr. Irvin Wolkoff, a Toronto psychologist. "Remember that if you backslide, it's a part of learning new ways to think and behave."

3 Write down the actual process of reaching your goal, says Marc Lebert, a fitness professional and creator of Lebert Fitness Products. For example, "work out three times a week," "eat a salad three times a week."

4 Imagine what the results of your goal feel like, Lebert says. For example, see yourself riding a bike up a hill or lifting weights — imagining how it actually feels is inspiring.

5 Put yourself into a goal-in-

spiring environment. "Hearing people talk at a fitness club, for example, about how much they love fitness, can be very motivating," Lebert says. Also, try group exercise because when people work out in a group they motivate each other.

6 Start small. If you weren't exercising at all, start walking just half an hour per day, says Jules Hilliker, an Ottawa-based fitness professional.

7 Try something new. Sign up for a Zumba class or go bowling.

8 Create your own fitness "community" with a few friends, Hilliker says, and plan to walk together two mornings a week.

9 Don't deprive yourself. If your family has Friday pizza night, have just one slice (instead of the usual three, for example) and enjoy a side salad, too.

10 Make healthy living goals a family affair. Don't just watch kids build a snowman, get out there and build it with them, Hilliker says.

11 Take lessons. When you feel safe doing an activity, you are more likely to continue it, Weir says.

12 Be informed. Talk to your doctor if you want to quit smoking. Start reading food labels. Hire a fitness trainer.

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Dickey excited by Blue Jays' plans

R.A. Dickey says he's looking forward to calling himself a Canadian for six months a year.

The Toronto Blue Jays formally introduced Dickey Tuesday at Rogers Centre after acquiring the National League Cy Young winner from the New York Mets last month.

The knuckleballer says he is excited by general manager Alex Anthopoulos's plans for the Blue Jays for the coming years.

He says Toronto has an excellent baseball pedigree and remembers Joe Carter's home run to win the 1993 World Series for the Blue Jays. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Cycling

Armstrong set to tell all to Oprah?

Lance Armstrong has agreed to a rare televised interview with Oprah Winfrey that will air next week.

According to a release posted on Oprah's website on Tuesday, Armstrong will address allegations that he used performance-enhancing drugs during his cycling career.

Armstrong has strongly denied the doping charges that led to him being stripped of his seven Tour de France titles, but the New York Times reported Friday he has told associates he is considering admitting the use of PEDs.

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Winnipeg Jets captain Andrew Ladd celebrates scoring a goal with teammates during a game against the Colorado Avalanche at the MTS Centre on Feb. 19, 2012. Ladd says a strong start will be instrumental to making the playoffs. TOM SZCZERBOWSKI/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Quick takeoff crucial for Jets, captain says

NHL. Winnipeg looks to crack the playoffs after falling just short last season

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"I'm not worried at all. I'm sure they'll be three great players for us this year."

Winnipeg Jets captain Andrew Ladd quashing concerns over Dustin Byfuglien, Ondrej Pavelec and Evander Kane

Winnipeg Jets captain Andrew Ladd says a good start is more important than ever with a lockout-shortened NHL season on the horizon.

"Our start's going to have to be key, for everyone in the league," he said after an unofficial practice Tuesday with a few other players.

"For us, last year, we didn't get off to a great start and that put us in a hole early and we were battling to get back to .500 right from the get go.

"If we can get out to a good start, get a good feeling about ourselves and get a good pace

to our game, I think that will go a long way."

Their first season in Winnipeg saw the Jets stumble out of the gate and miss the playoffs, although they at least stayed close enough to be in the hunt. As the relocated Atlanta Thrashers prepare for their second season, they know time isn't on their side.

The schedule hasn't been released yet but the Jets were busy painting the logos and lines on the ice at the MTS Centre Tuesday as players continued to arrive in town.

Ladd isn't so much worried about the physical aspect of a schedule that could see teams playing a game every other day.

"I think the biggest hurdle is probably mentally," he said. "Just, you know, at times it can become monotonous and you have to prepare every day finding your routine to make sure you can play your top performance every night."

The team isn't a whole lot different this season.

Draft pick Mark Scheifele is coming to camp and might

be more of a factor now that he's had more seasoning in the OHL and AHL. He also impressed with his play at the world junior championship, but he's still just 19.

The Jets did add some much-needed scoring talent and experience up front by signing veteran centre Olli Jokinen, a free agent who played the last couple of seasons with the Calgary Flames.

The Flames' No. 2 scorer with 61 points in 2011-12, he has more than 1,000 games on his skates and Ladd says they can use that kind of experience.

"For us, I think that's something we were lacking last year ... more veteran presence up front, more consistency and more depth up the middle," Ladd said.

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NHL camps expected to open Sunday



Washington Capital Roman Hamrlik, right, chats to Montreal Canadian Travis Moen at an informal practice Tuesday in Candiac, Que. PAUL CHASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Let the season begin.

NHL training camps are expected to open Sunday after the ratification process for the new collective bargaining agreement is completed, according to deputy commissioner Bill Daly.

The league and NHLPA spent Tuesday continuing to hammer out a memorandum of understanding that will ultimately be voted on by their constituents. The owners will cast ballots in person at a Board of Governors meeting Wednesday afternoon in New York while the players are expected to vote electronically on Thurs-

48 games planned

The league is targeting a 48-game season from Jan. 19, leaving little time for everyone involved with the sport to get organized.

day and Friday.

If all of that goes off without a hitch, the agreement would then be signed by the parties.

"It's being worked on," Daly said Tuesday in an email. "We don't need it signed until the ratification process is done, which looks like Saturday."

The deal was hammered out early Sunday morning. Almost immediately, players began travelling back to the cities where their teams play in anticipation of a season unlike anything most have ever seen. A typical training camp runs for about three weeks and can include as many as eight exhibition games per team. This one will have teams on the ice for just five days before opening the regular season.

"We've got to be prepared," Lightning star Steven Stamkos said Tuesday in Tampa. "It's going to be a different year, it's a sprint." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Chevrolet Equinox 2013



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Fuel economy

With a rating of 9.2 l/100 km city and 6.1 highway (10.1/6.9 for AWD models), the 2.4 is the economy champ in the lineup. However the efficient V6 earns nearly the same 12.4 city/8.1 highway (13.2/8.4 AWD) numbers as the previous 3.0. The choice is yours, of course, depending on your lifestyle..



A look under the Equinox's hood

2013 Chevrolet Equinox

- **Type.** Four-door, front-/all-wheel-drive mid-size tall wagon.
- **Engine (hp).** 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (182); 3.6-litre DOHC V6 (301)
- **Transmission.** Six-speed automatic
- **Base price (incl. destination).** \$28,400

Engine

Unchanged for 2013 is a standard 2.4-litre four-cylinder engine that's worth 182 horsepower and 172 pound-feet of torque. Both powerplants are connected to six-speed automatic transmissions, although the four-cylinder comes with an Eco mode that economically limits the maximum revs in each gear.

Style

The most significant aspect of the Equinox's styling is that it displays a rugged sport-utility-vehicle boldness shared with Chevy's larger Traverse and still-larger Tahoe. You won't find that in the Honda CR-V, Nissan Rogue, Ford Escape or most others in the segment.

Review. Clever wagon holds its own despite stiff competition

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Chevrolet didn't exactly invent this category, but the Equinox represents a new level of refinement, style and overall performance that sets it apart from its segment peers.

Clever touches abound in the design, like the integrated rocker panels in the doors that reduce 'entry step-over' height. The car-like interior is simply gorgeous and highly practical. It has dual gloveboxes, easy-to-read twin gauges set in large pods and plenty of handy storage bins.

There's also a versatile split folding rear seat that can be adjusted fore and aft over a 20-centimetre range to optimize legroom or cargo capacity. So the Equinox isn't a giant-killer in the off-road sense, but at least it can now boogie down

the road with more authority, thanks to a new-for-2013 3.6-litre V6 option that generates 301 horsepower and 272 pound-feet of torque. It replaces last year's 3.0-litre V6 that only mustered 264 horses and 222 pound-feet of torque.

A wide assortment of standard equipment (air conditioning, cruise control, keyless remote entry etc.) comes in the base LS, as does a new seven-inch touch screen to work the standard audio system. The 1LT gets you premium cloth seats and a rear-vision camera, while the 2LT adds a power driver's seat and an up-level audio package. The LTZ loads up with climate control, heated leather seats and a power liftgate.

Standard this year in all but the base LS is MyLink, which is a combination voice-activation/touch-screen system that operates the various audio options, hands-free smart-phone communications and navigation functions. Being fashionably rugged, impressively more powerful and technologically up-to-date is what the Equinox is all about.



The dash gauges retain a simple feel and look.



Touch-screen 'infotainment' system



A more head on view of the Equinox

By comparison



1 VW Tiguan
Base price: \$29,500



2 Nissan Rogue
Base price: \$25,600



3 GMC Terrain
Base price: \$30,200

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Looking for a good used car? You could do worse than heading to Arizona next week for Collector Car Auction Week.

Bring your wallet. Better yet, re-mortgage your house, cash in your RRSPs, find the Canadian Tire Money, sell your kids for medical experiments, check under the sofa cushions for loose change and snacking material, and visit Harold the Jewelry Buyer.

Because some of these cars are on the pricey side...

Take for example the 1965 Ford GT40 consigned to RM Auctions' sale in Phoenix. The GT40 used in the Steve McQueen film, *Le Mans*, was auctioned off last year at RM's California sale for \$11 million, making it the most expensive American car ever sold.

The road-going '65 GT40 going under the hammer in



Big money mobile: The 1960 Ferrari 250 GT SWB Berlinetta Competizione 'will be the top seller' in Arizona. PHOTO FROM RM AUCTIONS

Arizona is expected to sell for between \$2.4 million and \$3 million. In case you're wondering, that doesn't include safety check, emission test, or winter tires.

Another quite nice RM consignment is the 1930 Duesenberg Model J Tourster. Only eight were built. Their open-top bodies were designed and built by the coach building firm, Derham. Estimated auction price: \$1.2 million to \$1.6

million.

In fact, RM figures eight of its Phoenix auction consignments will fetch over \$1 million. There is no doubt, however, about which one will set the high bar — the 1960 Ferrari 250 GT SWB Berlinetta Competizione.

"It will be the top seller of the week in Arizona," says Gord Duff of RM Auctions, over the phone from the firm's home base in Blenheim,

Ontario. (Yes, one of the top collector car auction houses in the world is Canadian.) "There isn't another auction selling anything that would bring this kind of money."

What's "this kind" of money? Well we don't know for sure. But some Ferrari 250 GTs sell for around \$5 million, while others go for around \$9 million. This particular 250 GT is considered one of the purest and most well documented

250 GTs out there, with just four owners since new. So figure more toward the high end of scale.

While it might be the highest price achiever in Arizona next week, it will likely take a back seat in the paparazzi department to a car set to take the Barrett-Jackson auction stage over in Scottsdale. That would be the first and original Batmobile. After staring in the TV series, it's creator, George

Barris, bought it from Ford for one dollar. It's been his ever since. It changes hands next week, for the first time ever since that one-dollar sale. It's likely the most well-known and recognizable car in the world.

The other auction houses that make the scene at Arizona Collector Car Auction Week are Gooding and Company, Russo and Steele, Bonhams, and Silver Auctions.

"Arizona sets the tone for the coming year," notes Duff. RM is expecting Arizona to continue the strong sales trends of 2012. "The collector car market is especially strong right now, particularly for blue-chip, investment type automobiles."

Duff says enthusiasts from emerging markets, like the United Arab Emirates, Russia, India, China, and Brazil, are bolstering the collector car ranks these days. It's a global thing now and facilitating the togetherness is the Internet. Duff adds these out-of-country buyers often watch the auction on line, and bid on line. And so can you — the RM auction will be live on rmauctions.com. Just make sure you got enough headroom on the charge cards.

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See your path and follow your vision when your car is sliding and steering is tricky this winter on the roads

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No matter what or where you are driving, the most important sense you use is your vision. It's always essential to "look where you want to go," especially if you find yourself in an emergency situation.

"Anyone can drive straight on a dry road," says precision driver Ryan Lanteigne. "What differentiates drivers is the ability to deal with the worst conditions. You have to steer the way you want to go."

Lanteigne was teaching winter driving at a special event sponsored by Michelin. Drivers were sent onto

Quoted

"What differentiates drivers is the ability to deal with the worst conditions. You have to steer the way you want to go."

Precision driving instructor Ryan Lanteigne. On what sets good and bad drivers apart

a water-soaked plastic pad, which simulates ice.

Once the driver was on the pad, Lanteigne would pull on the handbrake, sending the car sideways. The driver then had to steer the car to get it back on course.

The first time I went through, I thought I was steering correctly, but my car still spun around.

"You weren't looking where you wanted to go," Lanteigne said. Sure enough, I realized I'd been looking straight down the hood.

Instead, I should have been looking beyond the skid pad. The second time I

went through, I steered the car but looked to my right at the dry asphalt.

That's where my car ended up, pointing straight ahead and ready to continue safely. Whenever you're driving, it's important to look as far ahead as possible – right to the horizon, if you can – and never at the road directly ahead of your car.

This gives you a full field of vision and lets you see problems up ahead, such as stopped vehicles or pedestrians, before you get too close to them. This can even help with fuel efficiency, since you may be able to slow down or go around traffic, instead of stopping completely and then having to accelerate again.

It's important not to fixate on things, because your hands will follow your vision.

A surprising number of people hit police cars or tow trucks that are stopped on the side of the road, because drivers stare at the flashing lights and don't realize that they're heading straight toward something they need to avoid.



Students drive on a plastic, water-covered pad that simulates driving on ice. HANDOUT

Tips

- **Take note.** If you turn the steering wheel but your car continues straight ahead on a slippery surface, a condition known as understeer, don't turn the wheel harder. Instead,

"unwind" it slightly in the opposite direction. This will help the tires grip and let you regain control.

- **Back to school.** Many of the skills needed for safe winter driving aren't intuitive, and lessons at a qualified "skid school" or winter driving course are a good idea for all drivers.

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20
Venus, planet of harmony, moves into the career area of your chart today, so you will gain more by being nice to people than by trying to be a tough guy. Work with others and you can all be winners.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21
A little bit of gentle persuasion will get you everything you desire today. You don't need to force others to do your bidding. They will go out of their way to accommodate your needs. Within reason, of course.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21
Stand up to those who seem to enjoy making you feel bad about yourself. You are who you are for a reason and no one has the right to suggest that you should change your look, your ways or your attitude.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23
Venus, planet of love and harmony, moves into the partnership area of your chart today and almost immediately you will find that relationship problems are not as serious as you imagined. The fact is they never were.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23
You need to take a more relaxed view of everyday activities, especially those that require bursts of physical energy. Aggressive activity is rarely a good idea, so pace yourself sensibly over the next 24 hours.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Creative activities and affairs of the heart will go very well indeed over the next few weeks, so look on the bright side and don't be afraid to take chances. By far the biggest risk is taking no risks at all.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
As Venus, your ruler, moves into one of the more sensitive areas of your chart, you won't mind admitting you got something wrong. This is much a time for forgiving, forgetting and moving on together.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Travel and social activities will get a boost over the next few days, so start making plans. Even if you are a Scorpio who does not like the party life, you'll want to see and be seen. You're worth looking at!

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
There is really no point worrying about money matters and business issues. They will all come right in the end. Whatever your personal commitments may be you will find a way to meet them — somehow you always do.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You will find it much easier to relax and take life as it comes now that Venus is joining the Sun in your sign. You don't have to be on the go every minute of every day. Give yourself a break occasionally.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Being the charitable sort, you sometimes allow people to get away with things they really don't deserve to get away with. Don't be too generous for your own good over the next 24 hours.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20
Allow yourself to think the unthinkable thought. Allow yourself to dream the impossible dream. With so much positive cosmic activity today there is precious little you cannot do, so set your sights high — then go even higher. **SALLY BROMPTON**

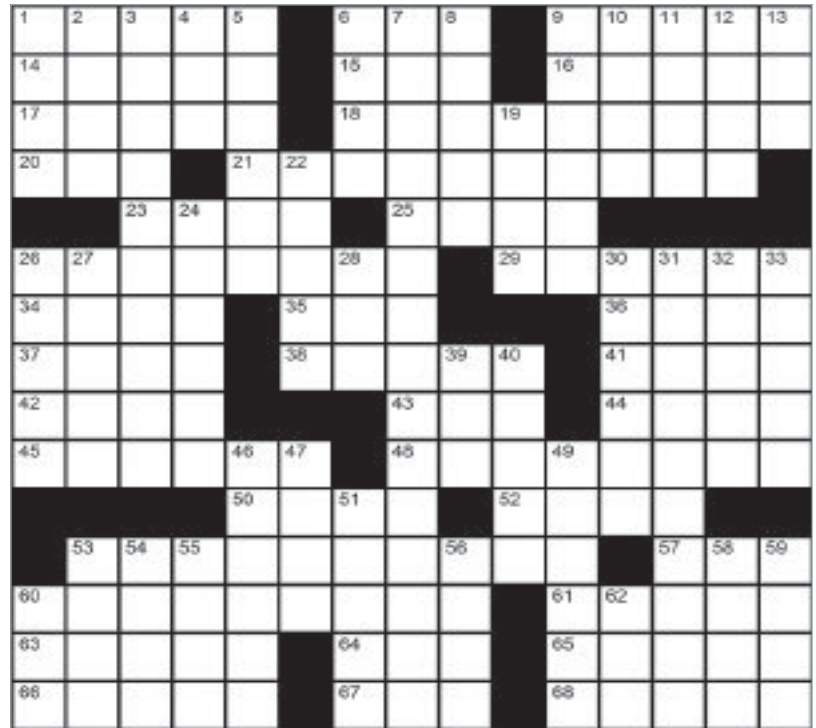
Crossword: Canada Across & Down

Across

- St. __, Nfld.
- Cdn. business since 1670
- Guess Who's "___ Eyes"
- English band, ___ Heep
- Pub serving
- Lake for Sarnia, ON
- Tori's "Beverly Hills, 90210" role
- Hugh Jackman role
- Tree-like Tolkien creature
- Harry Potter's best friend: 2 wds.
- Environmental sci.
- Fit
- "Nessun Dorma", an aria from this Puccini opera
- Belonging to our planet
- "___ have to do."
- German 'I'
- 'Fed' suffix
- Greenish-blue
- Decree
- Japanese soup
- Thomas Augustine __: "Rule, Britannia" composer
- Angelina Jolie title role
- "I could ___ horse I'm so hungry!"
- One who silently approves
- Where Bob Bratina is mayor
- Bemoaned
- Meas. with width
- Canada's highest peak: 2 wds.
- Beirut is its cap.
- Co-worker
- Jim Carrey flick, "Me, Myself & ___" (2000)
- Old Jennifer Garner series
- "___ Blind" by 54-40
- Little Richard hit: "___ Frutti"
- Blood vessel implant
- Gary Bettman's org.
- Movie critic Roger

Down

- Mr. Law
- "___ the other hand..."
- ___ Who's Who (Canadian wild-life TV vignettes)
- Grandma

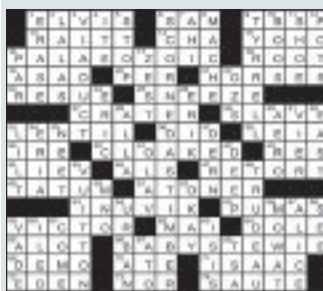


- Kelly Osbourne's mother
- Actress Goldie
- The Tragically Hip song: 4 wds.
- Li'l star
- Neptune's realm: 2 wds.
- Lose yer lunch
- Great Lake
- Electronics company
- Compass†point
- Farewell, to Catullus
- Golden hit tune
- Phoned
- Hyperion, for one, in Greek mythology

- 1993 Nirvana album: 'In ___'
- Repetitive checking or hand-washing, e.g.
- Make more cheese gooey again
- Canadian Olympian Simon Whitfield, for one
- Must: 2 wds.
- "The Good in Everyone" band
- The Company org.
- Berry Gordy Jr.'s other early record label
- Author Mr. Hemingway
- Montreal-born actress Ms. Lee

- Fire up
- Toronto theatre, ___ & Winter Garden
- Shed, snake-style
- "Rolie Polie ___"
- Capital of Mongolia, ___ Bator
- Mineralogist's field, for short
- Play interlude, ___'acte
- "So ___"
- '___ in Canada
- Wipe

Yesterday's Crossword

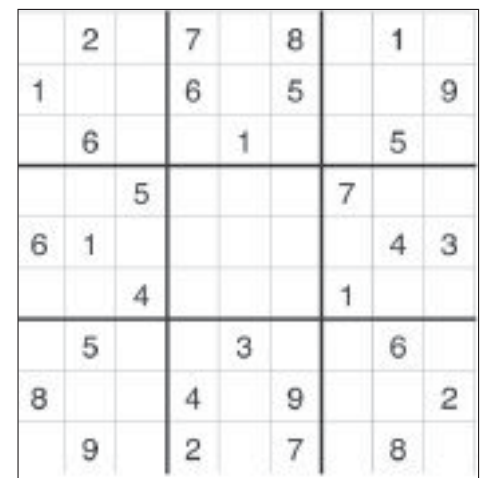
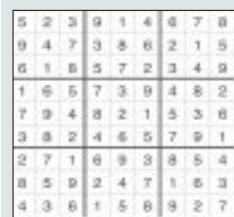


Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY



MAX: -4°
MIN: -4°

THURSDAY



MAX: -2°
MIN: -14°

FRIDAY



MAX: -15°
MIN: -21°



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